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AND NOVEL ANTIBIOTICS

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Commissioner for Patents
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Request for Reconsideration

Dear Sir:

This Paper is being filed in response to the Official Action dated February 25, 2003, following the new guidelines for Responses (37 CFR §1.121). A Petition for a 2-month extension of time is included. Kindly reconsider allowance of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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